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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the telephone conversation today (December 7, 2005) between Michael D. Switzer, Attorney for Applicant, and Examiner Nguyen regarding the oral restriction requirement for the above referenced application, please consider the following remarks:

REMARKS

Applicants elect to prosecute the claims of Group I, claims 5-13 and 16-19. The remaining claims consisting of Group II (claims 14-15) are canceled without prejudice to continue prosecution of the subject matter of claims 14 and 15 in a subsequent application.

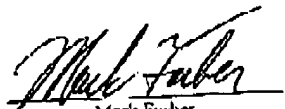
Applicant was advised a Terminal Disclaimer is required between instant claims 5-13, 16-19 and U.S. Patent No. 6,702,787. A Terminal Disclaimer is submitted by Applicant and is attached hereto. Please charge Deposit Account 21-0550 the Terminal Disclaimer fee.

Applicant also submits herewith an Information disclosure statement for consideration in the prosecution of this application. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees required for the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement to Deposit Account 21-0550 in the name of United States Surgical.

Also, in the event any extensions of time for responding are required for the pending application(s), please treat this paper as a petition to extend the time as required and charge Deposit Account No. 21-0250. TWO (?) COPIES OF THIS SHEET ARE ENCLOSED.

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